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Application No.: 10/690,506) Group Art Unit: 2652
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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. To be best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report issued on March 15, 2005, in a counterpart international application is attached together with one of the documents listed thereon. The second referenced document, Japanese application JP 2002-008269, was submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement filed on April 29, 2004, and is therefore not submitted at this time.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the document listed on the PTO-1449 enclosed and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

Relevance of the enclosed document may be understood from the English-language abstract provided.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents is material or constitute “prior art.” If it should be determined that the listed documents do not constitute “prior art” under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document.

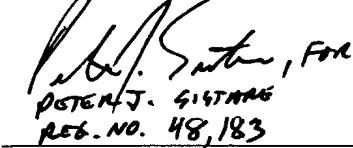
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Respectfully submitted,

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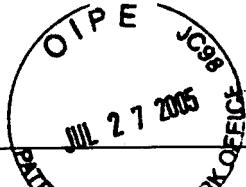
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